Development has already been set up in 1985 as a part of the Ministry of Human Resource Development to give impetus to the holistic development of women and children.

UN resolution for children

1860. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether India played a great role in drafting an agreeable resolution in the United Nations for betterment of children;

(b) if so, what are the main features of the resolution passed in UN;

(c) whether India has also agreed to implement this resolution;

(d) how many countries have signed this resolution so far and assistance; and

(e) what assistance is provided to various countries in implementing the resolution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) to (e) The UN General Assembly Special Session on Children was held in New York from 8-10 May, 2002. It was attended by a high level Indian delegation led by Ministry of Human Resource Development. The Summit adopted a Declaration which contains goals for children in the four priority areas, namely, promoting healthy lives, providing quality education, protecting against abuse, exploitation and violence and combating HIV/AIDS. The Indian delegation played a pivotal role and helped to facilitate a consensus on the Document. The Declaration was adopted by all countries through consensus. The Document urges the developed countries to mobilize resources for meeting the target of 0.7% of their Gross National Product (GNP) for Official Development Assistance (ODA).